Humboldt Herd Area Wild Horse Gather Fact Sheet

June 2014

What: Humboldt Herd Area Wild Horse Gather

Where: The gather area is located in Pershing County with the north boundary being about 30 miles south of Winnemucca, Nevada and extends along the eastside of Interstate 80 to Lovelock, Nevada.

Planned number of horses to be gathered: 100

Planned number of mares to be treated with the fertility-vaccine PZP and release back to the range: N/A

Planned number of horses to be removed from the HA: 100

Population to be left in HA: Approx. 182

Planned duration of gather: Approx. 30 days

Reason(s) for the Gather: There is no Appropriate Management Level (AML) for the Humboldt HA since this area has not been designated to be managed for wild horses due to checkerboard land ownership pattern which limits BLM's management abilities. Wild horses have moved into the Humboldt HA and onto private lands in the search of forage, water and space as the overpopulation of horses increases within the HA boundary. Removal of 100 wild horses will reduce the current herd population and decrease the impacts to private and public lands as well as reducing the potential for wild horse/vehicle collisions in the area.

For general information about the BLM's Wild Horse and Burro Program, please visit the BLM's Website at: http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/whbprogram.html

BLM WH&B Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BLMWildHorseandBurro

BLM YouTube "playlist" (WH&B section): http://bit.ly/1stBdoS

BLM National WH&B hotline: 866-468-7926 (866-4MUSTANGS)

BLM National WH&B Email: wildhorse@blm.gov

Quick Facts about the program:

http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/whbprogram/history and facts/quick facts.html

Myths and Facts about wild horse management:

http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/whbprogram/history_and_facts/myths_and_facts.html

Information about the wild horse and burro adoption program:

http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/wild_horse_and_burro/What_We_Do/wild_horse_and_burro0